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Chad accepts deployment of forces at borders

- Following his meeting with new French Foreign Minister Bernard Kouchner, Chadian President Idriss Deby announced that he has agreed in principle to deploy UN forces on the border with Sudan but that there are still some points to resolve regarding this issue. Deby announced that the results of his discussions with Kouchner will be made public before June 25 and will center on the nature of this force. (*Al-Sudani, Al-Ayaam, et al*)

British company sells uranium to Sudan

- *The Observer* (U.K.) newspaper reported yesterday that a British company has been closed down after being caught in an apparent attempt to sell black-market weapons-grade uranium to Iran and Sudan. Anti-terrorist officers and MI-6 are now investigating a wider British-based plot allegedly to supply Iran with material for use in a nuclear weapons program. One person has already been charged with attempting to "proliferate weapons of mass destruction." During the 20-month investigation, which also involved MI-5 and Customs and Excise, a group of Britons was tracked as they obtained weapons-grade uranium from the black market in Russia. Investigators believe it was intended for export to Sudan and on to Iran. Sudan's foreign ministry spokesman Ali Al-Saddig emphasized that the reports published in *The Observer* were "inaccurate" and his government "will not take these accusations seriously." (*Al-Rai Al-Aam, Al-Sahafa, Al-Ayaam, et al*)

Student clashes in University of Upper Nile

- Clashes among students at the University of Upper Nile campus in Khartoum yesterday left five students injured. Students also set fire to the student union offices. Clashes took place after the

announcement by pro-National Congress Party (ruling party) students that they had won student elections. Students affiliated with other political parties failed to present their list of candidates for the election, prompting the NCPers to announce their victory. (*Al-Sudani, Al-Rai Al-Aam*)

Minister vows not to hand over Sudanese to ICC

- Sudanese Interior Minister Al-Zubair Bashir Taha lashed out at the prosecutor of the International Criminal Court (ICC) Luis Ocampo, vowing not to hand over any Sudanese citizen. Taha said that Ocampo is nothing but a "junior employee doing cheap work." Taha said that Ocampo should request the arrest of U.S. President George Bush for "torturing prisoners in Guantanamo and for using cluster bombs in Iraq, Afghanistan, Lebanon, and Iraq." (*Sudan Tribune*)



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